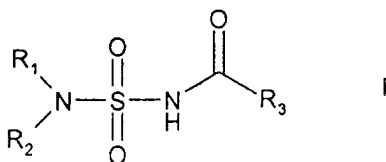


### **Listing of Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1. (Currently amended) A compound of formula



wherein either

- R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached are piperazinyl, wherein the second nitrogen atom is substituted by (C<sub>1-6</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl or by (C<sub>6-18</sub>)aryl, which (C<sub>6-18</sub>)aryl is substituted by one or more halogen, (C<sub>1-6</sub>)haloalkyl, ~~e.g. CF<sub>3</sub>~~, aminocarbonyl,

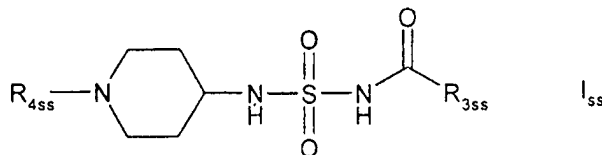
or

- R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen and R<sub>2</sub> is piperidinyl, attached via a carbon atom of the piperidinyl ring, wherein the nitrogen atom is substituted by (C<sub>1-6</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl or by (C<sub>6-18</sub>)aryl,

and

R<sub>3</sub> is (C<sub>6-18</sub>)aryl or (C<sub>6-18</sub>)aryl(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, which aryl is substituted by one or more halogen, aminocarbonyl, or (C<sub>1-6</sub>)haloalkyl.

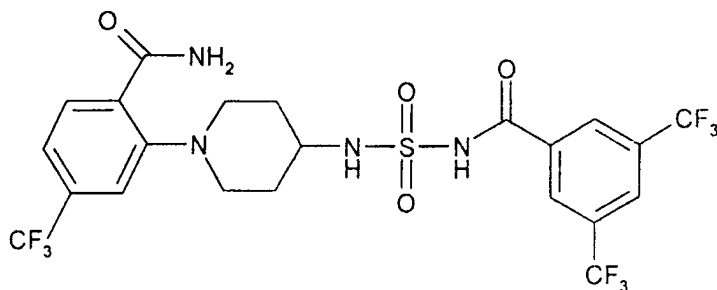
Claim 2. (Original) A compound of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of compounds of formula



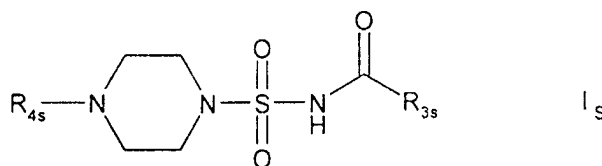
wherein

- a. R<sub>3ss</sub> is 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl and R<sub>4ss</sub> is 2-aminocarbonyl-5-trifluoromethylphenyl,
- b. R<sub>3ss</sub> is 2,3-dichlorophenyl, R<sub>4ss</sub> is 2-aminocarbonyl-5-trifluoromethylphenyl,
- c. R<sub>3ss</sub> is 3,5-dichlorophenyl R<sub>4ss</sub> is 2-aminocarbonyl-5-trifluoromethylphenyl, and
- d. R<sub>3ss</sub> is 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl and R<sub>4ss</sub> is tert.butoxycarbonyl.

Claim 3. (Currently amended) A compound of claim 1 which is a compound of formula



Claim 4. (Original) A compound of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of compounds of formula



wherein

- a.  $R_{3s}$  is 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is tert.butoxycarbonyl,
- b.  $R_{3s}$  is 2,3-dichlorophenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is tert.butoxycarbonyl,
- c.  $R_{3s}$  is 3,5-dichlorophenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is tert.butoxycarbonyl,
- d.  $R_{3s}$  is 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is benzyloxycarbonyl,
- e.  $R_{3s}$  is 2,3-dichlorophenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is benzyloxycarbonyl,
- f.  $R_{3s}$  is 3,5-dichlorophenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is benzyloxycarbonyl,
- g.  $R_{3s}$  is 3,5-dichlorophenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is benzyloxycarbonyl,
- h.  $R_{3s}$  is 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is 2-aminocarbonyl-5-trifluoromethylphenyl,
- i.  $R_{3s}$  is 3,5-dichlorophenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is 2-aminocarbonyl-5-trifluoromethylphenyl,
- j.  $R_{3s}$  is 2,3-dichlorophenyl and  $R_{4s}$  is 2-aminocarbonyl-5-trifluoromethylphenyl, and
- k.  $R_{3s}$  is 2-(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethyl and  $R_{4s}$  is tert.butoxycarbonyl.

Claim 5. (Previously presented) A compound of claim 1 in the form of a salt.

Claims 6-7. (Canceled)

Claim 8. (Currently amended) A method of treatment of disorders mediated by the action of steroid sulfatase which treatment comprises administering to a subject in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound of claim 1, wherein the disorder is selected from the group consisting of acne, seborrhea, androgenic alopecia, hirsutism, breast cancer, and Alzheimer's disease.

Claim 9. (Currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 in association with at least one pharmaceutical excipient.

Claim 10. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 9, further comprising another pharmaceutically active agent.